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*Monday, May 19, 2008.*

Met at four minutes past eleven o'clock A.M. (Ms. Spilka in the Chair) (having been appointed by the President, under authority conferred by Senate Rule 4, to perform the duties of the Chair).

The Chair (Ms. Spilka), members, guests and employees then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

#### Reports of Committee.

By Ms. Resor, for the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, on petition, a Bill affecting certain land in Northampton subject to an agricultural preservation restriction (Senate, No. 2676);

**Read and, under Joint Rule 1F, referred to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.**

By Ms. Tucker, for the committee on Housing, on Senate, Nos. 770, 772, 774, 782, 2152 and 2192 and House, Nos. 1276, 1284, 1289, 1295, 3950, 4051 and 4433, a Bill preserving publicly assisted affordable housing (Senate, No. 782) [Local approval received on Senate, Nos. 770, 774 and 2152 and House, Nos. 4051 and 4433];

**Read and, under Senate Rule 27, referred to the committee on Ways and Means.**

By Mr. Petrucci, for the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, on petition, a Bill relative to the effective enforcement of municipal ordinances and by-laws (Senate, No. 1158);

**Read and, under Senate Rule 26, referred to the committee on Ethics and Rules.**

#### *Committee Discharged.*

Mr. Downing, for the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Health Care Financing to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to health care financing (Senate, No. 2703); and

Of the Senate Order relative to authorizing the joint committee on Health Care Financing to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents relative to health care financing (Senate, No. 2704);

**And recommending that the same severally be referred to the Senate committee on Ethics and Rules.**

**Under Senate Rule 36, the reports were severally considered forthwith and accepted.**

#### PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.

##### Bills

Relative to certain licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises in the town of Hingham (House, No. 4501,— on petition); [Local approval received];

Authorizing the town of Westborough to grant an additional license for the sale of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on the premises (House, No. 4504,— on petition) [Local approval received]; and

Relative to certain property in the town of Chilmark (House, No. 4559,— on House, No. 4495) [Local approval received];  
**Were severally read and, under Senate Rule 26, placed in the Orders of the Day for the next session.**

*Resolutions.*

The following resolutions (having been filed with the Clerk) were severally considered forthwith and adopted, as follows:—  
Resolutions (filed by Ms. Chandler and Mr. Augustus) “congratulating the Major Taylor Association, Inc. on the occasion of the unveiling of the Major Taylor Memorial Monument”;  
Resolutions (filed by Ms. Chandler and Mr. Augustus) “congratulating Quinsigamond Community College on its forty-fifth anniversary”; and  
Resolutions (filed by Mr. Joyce) “congratulating Robert B. Steinberg upon his elevation to the rank of Eagle Scout.”

**PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE.**

*Order — Amended.*

The following House Order (approved by the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently) was considered forthwith, as follows:—

*Ordered*, That notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Education shall be granted until Monday, June 30, 2008, within which to report on certain current Senate and House documents.

**Pending the question on adoption of the order, Mr. Antonioni presented an amendment striking out the words and figures “Monday, June 30,” and inserting in place thereof the words and figures “Friday, June 13,”.**

**The amendment was adopted.**

**The order, as amended, was then adopted.**

**Sent to the House for concurrence in the amendment.**

Petitions were referred, in concurrence, as follows:—

Joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4753) of Paul K. Frost and Edward M. Augustus, Jr., for legislation to prohibit the leasing or renting of dogs and cats;

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.**

Petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4754) of Stephen Stat Smith for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Gary Tuck, an employee of the Department of Revenue.

**Under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Public Service.**

*Emergency Preamble Adopted.*

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Deborah McNamara, an employee of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (see House, No. 4615), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage and containing an emergency preamble,— **was laid before the Senate; and, a separate vote being taken in accordance with the requirements of Article LXVII of the Amendments to the Constitution, the preamble was adopted in concurrence, by a vote of 2 to 0.**

**The bill was signed by the Acting President (Ms. Spilka) and sent to the House for enactment.**

*Engrossed Bill.*

An engrossed Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Marya Panzica, an employee of the Department of Mental Retardation (see House, No. 4924) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Senate Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted and was signed by the Acting President (Ms. Spilka) and laid before the Governor for his approbation.

*Order Adopted.*

On motion of Mr. Tarr,—

*Ordered*, That notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 38B, when the Senate adjourns today, it adjourn to meet again on Wednesday next at eleven o'clock A.M., and that the only matter on the Orders of the Day shall be the General Appropriations Bill (House, No. 4701), with the pending Ways and Means new text (Senate, No. 2600).

On motion of the same Senator, at nineteen minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., the Senate adjourned to meet on the following Wednesday at eleven o'clock A.M., in a full formal session.